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Laurentian University Celebrates 1,016 New Graduates in 1999

by Mat Thompson
Staff Writer

On June 3-5, 1999, Laurentian University held its Spring Convocation ceremonies at the H.J. Fraser Auditorium. During this three day period, some 1,016 Laurentian University students received a university degree. Along with the outstanding achievements of the Laurentian graduates, four honorary doctorates were awarded to very deserving candidates.

The first ceremony took place on Thursday, June 3, and included the conferring of degrees in Arts (General programs), Master of Arts, Master of Business Administration, Master of Health Sciences in Speech Pathology, Master of Engineering, Master of Science and of Social Work.

On Friday, June 4, during a morning ceremony, degrees were conferred in Commerce, Sports Administration Physical and Health Education, and Kinesiology. On the same day at an afternoon ceremony, de-

grees were conferred for Sciences (General and Specialized programs), Liberal Science, Engineering, Social Work, and Native Human Services.

On the final day, Saturday, June 5, during the morning ceremony, degrees were conferred in Education (B.Ed.), Nursing and Translation. And finally during the afternoon ceremony, the candidates were presented for the degrees of Bachelor of Arts (Specialized programs) and the honors Diploma in Arts.

In addition to the graduation of the one thousand and sixteen new Laurentian graduates, during the three days of Spring Convocation, four honorary degrees (honoris causa) were handed out to very worthy recipients.



Laurentian President Jean Watters
Addresses the Graduates.

On June 4th, a Doctorate of Business Administration (honoris causa) was conferred upon Ms. Claire Dimock. Ms. Dimock has been an employee of Denison Mines since 1958 and her persistence and dedication helped transform Elliot Lake into the retirement capitol of Northern Ontario. Also, receiving a Doctorate of Laws (honoris causa) on the same day was Guy Goulard. A native of Sturgeon Falls and a Laurentian alumnus, Mr. Goulard has had a very prominent career as a lawyer and a judge, and currently serves as the Commissioner of the Federal Magistrate.

Saturday, June 5th saw two more honorary degrees handed out. During the morning ceremony, a Doctorate of Letters (honoris causa) was conferred upon Donald Obonsawin, the deputy minister for Northern Development and Mines. As a Laurentian alumnus, Mr. Obonsawin has played a significant role in Northern Ontario's social, economic and cultural life. During the afternoon and final ceremony, Spyros Loukidelis received his Doctorate of Laws (honoris causa). Spyros Loukidelis is the former Justice of the Ontario Court (General Division) and Senior Regional Justice, North-East Region. He has been a life-long supporter of Thorne University and is currently serving as Chancellor.

Overall, the Spring Convocation ceremonies went off well as Laurentian sent over one thousand more graduates into the real world. Lambda would just like to congratulate all the graduates and the honorary recipients on a job well done.

Strike! Strike! Strike!

Tuesday, March 23, 1999... The Day We Fought Back!!!

by Dylan Callens
News Editor (1998-1999)
LAMBDA, Volume 37, Issue 22

I've never seen anything like this at Laurentian University. Usually being very cynical about student activism, at first, this seemed to be just like any other protest; lifeless and ineffective. However, almost immediately, there was a sense of excitement as the numbers grew to well over two hundred picketers. Over the course of a couple hours, there were roughly four hundred people in and out of the picket line.

A few cars tried to run the line which resulted in some hit protesters at the main line on University Road. Peter Bonish took a couple hits for the team, which he said felt "good" and added that the people trying to run the line were "a**holes that just want to get through." Later on, Bonish was hit a second time by an excitable Professor Henry Best, who, with strong determination, wanted to get through. They ended up holding him at the front gate for quite some time. This caused quite the ruckus as the police came to sort things out, which ended with Professor Best waiting even longer.

Later on, a strike leader came to report that with all the support at the front gate, the South Bay Road entrance was thinning out to about 20 people. Drivers were getting restless and began running the line, which apparently resulted in a few minor injuries.

Elizabeth Carlyle, National CFS Chairperson, was in attendance. She commented during the rally that student involvement at this university was far more impressive than the first time she was here, earlier on in

the year. She said that this is a "good start in building the national strike in the year 2000," which is going to be a huge student movement sometime next year. She put this in perspective as a good start for universities across the country as that we need to continue and grow in numbers.

Todd Bosak agreed fully and felt that this was a very impressive turn-out. Earlier on in the day, Jamie Wylie sounded content with what was going on, calling it "not a bad turn-out." By the time that the rally

had started, however, he was undoubtedly impressed with all the students. Considering that roughly 1100 students voted in favor of the strike while 400 students showed up, the turnout really couldn't be beat.

Radio personality Bill James was present and said that it was "good to see so many people out." He later stated that he didn't feel that the strike would have any effect because it will take more for university education to really become a provincial issue.

Joel Davidson Harden, of pro-

vincial CFS fame, took up this issue with a twist, believing that students are making a difference. He blames the Tory government for our tuition woes and said, "[We] must force the bully into a corner." The Tories, he added, are responsible for the damage and he wishes to ensue that students have a big part in keeping these guys out of the office. The Liberals or NDP would be a much better choice. We have to "spread the word," said Harden.

The surprise of the day came

when word spread that the Great Hall was open for business, as any other day of the week. It was odd that they would be open for a few reasons: 1) They had announced that were closing in support of the strike, 2) Basically no one was in the school which would probably mean that they lost money, and 3) Their food is greasy, so who wouldn't opt for the barbecued hotdogs and CKLU 96.7 FM goodies available at the front strike line. Apparently, someone, not naming any names, Mr. Beach, is allegedly responsible for making Marriott employees work. Word has it that is they did not work, they would be fired.

The strike was a great success and a huge deal for Laurentian's student movement. If future protests have this big of a turn-out, it is possible that we will see things change. For perhaps the first time there was really a united student voice which may, hopefully, have an impact on the Board of Governors. If not this time then most likely in the future as the movement's numbers increase.

EDITOR'S NOTE: We at Lambda decided to re-run this important story to bring this serious issue to the new frosh and their families. We hope that this article will provide some insight into the problem of rising tuition fees and what the students of Laurentian have tried to, and will continue to try to do to freeze tuition and make post-secondary education more accessible to those who want to pursue it.

Mat Thompson
Editor-In-Chief



SGA President Jamie Wylie leads protesters to the picket lines, ready to show the Board of Governors that the students mean business.



Laurentian University Senate Jumps the Gun for Millennium Planning

by Mat Thompson
Staff Writer

On May 20, 1999 at the tenth regular meeting of the Senate of Laurentian University the Executive Committee brought forth a motion that classes begin on January 10, 2000 and conclude on April 7, 2000. This would extend the Christmas holidays for the staff and students by one extra week. The motion was passed 29-1.

The recommendation for this change in the academic year was based on the following rationale:

1. To allow correction of any Y2K problems with heating, electrical systems and devices, computers, etc., not detected in advance.
2. To permit students to participate fully in community festivities being planned during the first few days of the new millennium.
3. To accommodate families of students who are planning major gatherings during this time period and would not have returned for a January 3 start.
4. To recognize the significance of this moment in time and enable people to enjoy it fully."

This extra time is a great idea when it comes to fixing all the Y2K problems that Laurentian may face



on the dawn of the new year. There is a chance that there could be some serious problems with the day to day running of the university and the extra week will give the university more time to correct the problems. This rationale given for the extra week worked and some very good points were brought forth, but the only flaw in this motion that no one seemed to pick up on is the fact that the new millennium does not actually start until January 1, 2001. As of today (July 8, 1999) there are still 518 more days until the new millennium actually begins.

The calendar as we know it started in the year one. Due to this fact, and since a millennium is one thousand years long, that would mean that a new millennium would have to start on the years one, 1001, 2001, and so on. Only one senate member voted down the recommendation, but no reason has been found as to why this lone senate member disagreed with the motion. It could be that they felt that the Laurentian students did not need the extra week off in winter semester when there is already a reading week a month and a half later, or it could be that they looked at their calendar and noticed the major millennium glitch that so many people world-wide have accepted as fact.

There is no foreseeable backlash from students over this fact since an extra week off from studying is always welcome. My only question is, since this extra week is being given for the 1999-2000 calendar only, isn't that a little bias toward those of us who plan to recognize and celebrate the coming of the new millennium in the 2000-2001 academic year. Maybe I'm a little strange, but I always thought premature-celebration was a bad thing!

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Our News section needs a News Editor. Contact Mat @ 673-6548 or visit us in SCE 301, just above the Student Centre.

News Briefs

by Mat Thompson
Staff Writer

LU Appoints New Director of the Institute of Innovation, Learning and Technology

As of May 1, 1999, Ms. Joanne Pomerleau has been appointed to the position of director of the Institute of Innovation, Learning, and Technology (IILT). The creation of the IILT is part of recent strategic changes undertaken at Laurentian University in its quest to become the most innovative university in Ontario by the year 2003.

As Director of IILT, Ms. Pomerleau, Director of Laurentian University's School of Nursing from 1996 - 1999, will bring into focus the many challenges facing the institution in terms of the fast evolving roles of learning technology and communications in our society. The IILT will integrate innovative approaches and processes to better serve the diverse needs of all its students. This new unit will include a professional development centre, which will foster and support new thinking and research, as well as fresh approaches to learning and thinking.

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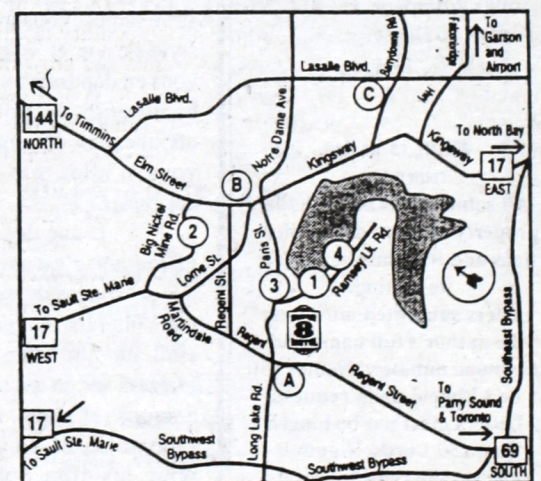
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Editor's Corner...

What's a Lambda (λ)?

Three years ago when I received my frosh/orientation package from Laurentian, I pulled out a small, strange looking newspaper called *LAMBDA*. I was interested right away because I always wanted to be part of a student newspaper, but my first reaction, which was probably the same as yours, was what the hell is a *LAMBDA*? Well, there are a few explanations for what we are.

LAMBDA is the official bilingual student newspaper of Laurentian University. We have been distributing newspapers on and around the Laurentian University campus since 1961 and don't ever plan on stopping. *LAMBDA* covers everything from news, sports, arts & entertainment, and francophone issues. We also include feature stories that cover issues on campus, and from every day life in general. *LAMBDA* is a weekly newspaper that hits the stands every Thursday morning around 11am. We have never missed a deadline in the three years I have worked

here and this year will be the same.

The name *LAMBDA*, as we finally found out this year, is from the Greek letter L. Since the newspaper was started in the 1960's, many of us had some pretty *high* ideas as to where the name actually came from. Of course we all were way off, but I think some of our ideas are a little more exciting than the real story. Since we were named *LAMBDA*, the lowercase L (λ) was adopted as our official logo, and even though the name is strange, after a while you will never forget it.

This is my first editorial as Editor in Chief of *LAMBDA*. Myself, I have been with *LAMBDA* for over three years now, working as the Entertainment Editor for most of that time. In that time *LAMBDA* has undergone many changes and we have had to deal with some pretty serious issues in the paper and in our own offices. This year you will see many changes throughout *LAMBDA* as we try to update the paper from its current format to a more modern

looking (and more appealing) student newspaper. Also, a few of our major editorial positions are vacant, so there may be some shuffling and panic until we fill those spots.

Right now *LAMBDA* has a very small staff that consists of returning staff members from the past few years. *LAMBDA* always has a great staff, but our only problem is many staff members graduate and go on to real jobs leaving those of us who are making a career out of university to find new recruits to fill the editor, columnist and staff writer positions. If you just glance at the positions listed to the left of my editorial you will see that there are a lot of positions open for new and returning Laurentian students. We accept submissions on a very broad range of topics. We have published articles on Native and Women's issues, movie and music reviews, university and world news, local and professional sports, and even a weekly article on the world of professional wrestling (that was mine). What ever you want to write about, come and see us. We

have no real guideline as to what people must write... we just want them to write for us!

If you want to become part of the *LAMBDA* staff, or just submit an article, letter to the editor or complaint once in a while, you can always stop by our office on the third floor just above the SGA office. Our (hopefully) newly renovated office is at SCE 301, just up the big blue stairs in the middle of the Student Centre. You can also contact us at (705) 673-6548 or (705) 675-1151, ext.6548. I know your first few weeks are going to be very hectic, but drop by and see us. We are always looking for a few more writers.

Mat Thompson
Editor-In-Chief



Bienvenue à la Laurentienne... et Franco-Lambda!!

par Gérald D. Woodard
Rédacteur Francophone

Bienvenue et félicitations aux nouveaux étudiants! Vous avez pris la décision de poursuivre vos études à la Laurentienne. Et ceux qui reviennent nous rejoindre pour une autre année, vous avez goûté à notre style de vie et vous ne pouvez pas vous en dépasser! La Laurentienne a beaucoup à vous offrir, les «nouveaux» comme les «vieux», et vous n'allez pas regretter votre décision.

L'une des choses que nous offrons ici, c'est une presse étudiante qui se soucie de ses lecteurs et de leurs intérêts. *Lambda* est un journal étudiant qui tente d'informer ses lecteurs sur ce qui se passe ici sur le campus et dans la communauté sudburoise. Et, plus particulièrement pour les francophones, *Franco-Lambda* s'efforce à vous informer sur tous les dossiers chauds de la francophonie ontarienne et canadienne.

Votre participation est importante pour notre réussite. Si vous vous prenez pour un écrivain, si vous aimez la culture, ou si vous voulez tout simplement exprimer vos opinions, nos pages sont ouvertes et prêtes à accueillir votre stylo. Nous ne pouvons pas fournir toutes les nouvelles, tous les revues culturelles, toutes les opinions sans votre appui et votre aide. Alors, venez nous voir et vous joindre, si vous avez le goût, à un équipe qui veut le mieux pour ses lecteurs - l'équipe *Lambda*! Si vous ne voulez pas faire parti de notre équipe, au moins nous faire savoir de temps à autres ce que vous pensez de la section et quelles sont vos attentes.

Nos bureaux se trouvent au local SCE-301 (3^{ème} étage du Centre Étudiant) ou vous pouvez nous rejoindre par courriel à franco_lambda@francemel.com. Nous avons hâte de vous voir au mois de septembre.

Bienvenue et bonne lecture!!

You Don't Have to Be Insane, But ...

by Nick Stewart
Entertainment Editor

Entertainment. From movies to CDs, from being blamed for corrupting the youth to giving John Tesh a job before launching him on a horrible, horrible musical career, entertainment is an important part of our lives. And if it's not an important part of your life, chances are you live in a cave and have an animal bone stuck in your hair. Everybody else, though, should ultimately enjoy the entertainment section of *Lambda*.

Being a complete schmoe, I have only a general idea of what's going to be appearing in the entertainment section this year. Of course, there'll be CD reviews, movie reviews, internet site reviews, art events coverage, and lots more. There's a lot of entertainment out there to cover though, and I can't do it all by myself. If you're the slightest bit interested in expressing your opinions and ideas on entertainment-related topics and events, then this is where you come in. Want to review a movie or a book? Have an original idea for a column that you'd like to see, or even write in the paper? Pop on into the office at SCE-301, right above the SGA office near the Student Centre.

I know what you're thinking... somebody else'll probably come to me with their idea before you do, and so I won't be interested in what you have to say. Wrong. I thought

the same thing my first year when the Entertainment Editor was asking for writers, and so I waited for three months before going to see him, and he still didn't have any writers. And don't be afraid that your idea is too goofy or too off-the-wall...a quick look at most of the articles and columns that I write will prove to you in pretty short order that nothing is too mindlessly weird or creative for the section. Who knows, maybe you could be the next Assistant Entertainment Editor (it's a fun little title and looks great on a resume). You don't have to be clinically insane...but it helps.

All in all, the entertainment section of the *Lambda* is a diverse section that needs your input and your interest to thrive. Much like the whole university experience *Lambda* is what you make of it. So whether it is to share ideas with me on what you want to see in the section, or to tell me that your sky is bright pink with paisley horses flying by every half-hour and that you'd like to write a column on it (okay, maybe that's a bit much, but still), then give me a call at 675-1151, ext 2404 or come and see me in the *Lambda* office. Hope to hear from you, unless of course you've still got that bone in your hair, in which case I hope you don't burn your loincloth in the campfire.

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SUDBURY - What It Looks Like On Paper!

by Mat Thompson
Editor In Chief

So, you have made your decision to come to Laurentian, and many of you will be moving here to Sudbury for the first time. Like many of you, I had never been to Sudbury in my life before making my choice to come here for school. It is pretty scary going away to school, but to me the new city seemed more intimidating than the school. Luckily I had roommates that had lived here for a few years before me, but just in case you don't have that luck, I'll give you a quick tour of the different scenes in the Sudbury area.

Laurentian is located in the South End of Sudbury near what is known as *Four Corners*. The South End has basically everything you need, but you can always venture into the downtown core or New Sudbury. Since the school is surrounded by lakes and conservation areas, there is only one road in and out, which means you either need a car, a friend with a car, or a bus pass. But once you have the means, you can go anywhere.

The bar scene is probably on the mind of most frosh and Sudbury has everything you need. There are sports bars, dance clubs, pubs, pool halls and even a few live music venues. Everyone has their own favorite, and it is up to you to find your style bar and stick with it.

Sudbury's music scene is one thing you will fast become aquatinted with. Local bands play all over town and garner some pretty big crowds at



their shows. You can catch local bands opening for bigger acts at the Sudbury Arena, playing group shows of three or more bands at places like *Big Thunder*, or you can always check out the nightly acts at *The Townehouse* which boasts live acts every night of the year. Most local bands have their own CDs out and a few are trying for recording contracts. Names like *Nickelbender*, *The Elephant Band*, *Wreck Beach* and others will become household names once you are in Sudbury for a while.

Sudbury has a very large arts scene that I have only started to become aware of this past year. Every day of the week you can find a poetry reading, art exhibition, performance,

play or anything else going on somewhere. Your best bet to find out what is going on and where is in *Directions*, a monthly newspaper (recently in collaboration with *Lambda*), that lists everything in the arts scene you need to know. *Lambda* will also expand its Entertainment section this year to include as much of the local arts scene as possible.

Another main thing you will find in Sudbury are festivals. Every time you turn around there is another festival going on. This summer there is *The Blueberry Festival*, *The Garlic Festival*, *The Northern Lights Festival*, *The Boreal*, *Blues for Food* and many others. There are winter festivals, music festivals, francophone and Eng-

lish festivals and probably a festival for anything you can think of. If you visit this summer, check out what is going on and be a part of it.

The one festival that I love has to be *Cinéfest*. Sudbury's very own film festival that runs for a full week in September. Film buffs will love *Cinéfest*. Movies are screened all hours of the day and night and you can catch movies from all over the world as well as premieres of movies that won't hit theatre for months after *Cinéfest*. Some past *Cinéfest* hits included *Reservoir Dogs*, *L.A. Confidential*, *The Sweet Hereafter*, *The Red Violin*, *Elizabeth*, *A Simple Plan*, *Hard Core Logo*, *Life is Beautiful*, *Shakespeare in Love* and

many others. If there was one thing in Sudbury that I would say you can't miss it's *Cinéfest*.

It is hard to tell a person all about a city in less than 1000 words. Sudbury basically has everything you would have in a big city, but in a smaller setting. There are coffee shops, theatres, bars, parks, sports, concerts, two other colleges (*Cambrian* and *College Boréal*)... and then there are the rocks! There are rocks everywhere! Every single building in this city had to be blasted out of the rock. Every once in a while you will feel a earthquake style tremor from the blasting that goes on at INCO. The first few times will probably scare you, but then after a while you won't know if it was blasting or just a small tremor (we have had a few).

Over half of the Sudbury area is covered by either lakes or conservation areas which will give you a lot of places to hike, explore, and of course snowmobile in the winter. I haven't mentioned the winter up here because I have tried to centre on the positives of Sudbury. Actually the past three winters have been very mild and it is no where near as bad up here as people say.

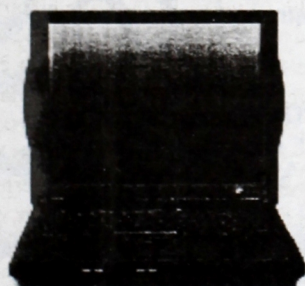
I hope this gives you a little more insight into the world of Sudbury, but there will always be someone to show you around. Don't be afraid to explore on your own and find your own little world among the rocks. Just watch out, most people up here got their driver's licence out of a case of Blue!

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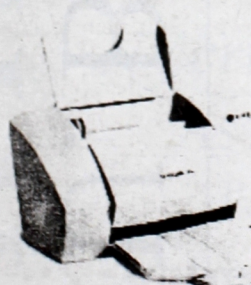


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ORIENTATION

1999 - 2000

CONGRATULATIONS...

...your decision to attend Laurentian will surely turn out to be one of the best choices you've made in your life-time. Many will agree that the **Welcome Week** is one of the most enriching aspects in their university experience. You'll soon realize that this is the beginning of a very special time in your life. A time, we're sure, you will look back on with profound clarity and fondness. Although scholastic efforts are essential, you may find that your experiences outside of the classroom will be even more fulfilling. We, the Orientation Team, are here to assist you in your transition to this stage and to allow you to become familiar with all the resources that are available to you.

The Orientation Team is a group of students who are devoted to showing you what life at Laurentian can be. We've been in your position, and can understand many of the concerns you have. Like many Laurentian students, we are friendly and willing to help you. So, if you see any of the team members on campus, be sure to say hi and ask any questions you might have. We've scheduled many events for **Welcome Week** (September 6-11) to help you get started. Please see our events section of this article for the schedule.

The events will be presented in a relaxed and informal setting. They will be focused on socializing, meeting new people, having fun and getting to know the campus. We will also be providing essential information on such things as pre-registration and academic planning. You must take part in the many fun activities offered. They are all free of charge and there are many prizes to be given away.

The time you spend at Laurentian will shape and enrich you as a person. The Orientation Team wants to make sure that your Welcome Week becomes one of your favourite memories from Laurentian. We're looking forward to seeing you around campus. Watch for us, we will be wearing T-shirts with our logo so that you can identify us.

FÉLICITATIONS

d'avoir choisi l'Université Laurentienne.

Vous allez sans doute remarquer que la semaine de bienvenue sera une expérience des plus enrichissantes lors de vos années à la Laurentienne. L'équipe d'orientation, un groupe d'étudiants, est établie pour vous aider lors de votre transition. Nous avons organisé une semaine d'événements qui visent surtout à vous familiariser avec le campus et les gens qui s'y trouvent tout en ayant du plaisir. Nous vous présenterons aussi de l'information essentielle à la planification de vos cours. Vous devez participer à ces activités remplies de plaisir. L'entrée à toutes nos activités est gratuite et il y aura plusieurs prix à gagner. Nous avons hâte de vous voir sur le campus. Si vous nous remarquez, nous porterons un "t-shirt" distinctif pour que vous puissiez nous identifier, n'hésitez pas de nous poser vos questions.



Photo by Mat Thompson

The Orientation Team:
Paul Trapasso & Julie Lapalme.

"WATCH FOR US!!! WE'LL BE CALLING YOU LATE IN THE SUMMER TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE ABOUT LAURENTIAN."

HAVE FUN, MAKE FRIENDS, GET ANSWERS

So you're at Laurentian University....Now what? Don't know anyone on campus? Confused about registration? The Orientation Team's got you covered. On **Tuesday, September 7th**, we've got a whole day planned for you where we'll try to ease your stress and answer all your questions.

First, meet us in the Science II cafeteria for the **President's Welcome Picnic**. It's a great chance to meet lots of people and to have fun while enjoying a **free lunch**. Our president, Dr. Jean Watters, will be there to greet you. There will also be great entertainment to keep you on your feet and lots of **prizes** for you to win.

After having lunch with the president and all the new people you've met, you can take a stroll by our **University Services Fair**. This is where you'll have a chance to meet people from all the great services that are offered to you at Laurentian. The friendly representatives will be on hand to answer any questions you may have.

Being students ourselves, we know that the registration process can be a major concern in your mind. You might be asking yourself questions such as: "What courses should I take?" "I heard that I have to take six Humanities credits, what does that mean?" "What type of work is expected of me if I take this course?" This is why we've planned **pre-registration sessions**. After the Services Fair, you will be able to attend a session where you can meet students and faculty from your own program. They will give you all the information you need to survive registration day and to make sure you sign up for the right courses.

L'équipe d'Orientation comprend que vous avez mille et une questions à nous poser. C'est pourquoi nous avons organisé une journée qui vous aidera à vous familiariser avec L'Université. Le mardi, 7 septembre, soyez des nôtres pour un **repas gratuit** avec le recteur, Dr. Jean Watters, ainsi qu'avec des groupes musicales qui vous garderont sur vos pieds et plusieurs chances à gagner de merveilleux **prix**. Ensuite, il y aura les **kiosques d'information**. Ici, vous pourriez visiter des représentants de chaque service qui vous est offert sur campus. Finalement, pour répondre à vos questions en ce qui concerne la procédure d'inscription, nous allons vous diriger vers les **séances d'information**. Ces sessions vous permettront de rencontrer des étudiants et étudiantes et des professeurs de votre programme et de calmer vos craintes par rapport à l'inscription et à votre programme.

WELCOMING OUR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

On behalf of the Coordinator of International Student Projects and on behalf of the entire Laurentian University Community, we would like to extend a warm and sincere welcome to all of our incoming International Students. Our friends, representing many different areas and cultures from around the world will be joining us at the end of August in time to take part in the **Orientation Program for International Students (Aug. 29 to Sept. 3)** specially designed to help ease their transition into the Laurentian Family. Should you meet any of the foreign students around the campus during this time, help us welcome them to their new home away from home.

Come and see us at the Student Life Office to inquire how you could become an International Student in a different country.

De la part de toute la communauté universitaire de la Laurentienne et du coordonnateur des projets pour la population étudiante de l'étranger, nous souhaitons une bienvenue aux étudiantes et étudiants internationaux qui viendront bientôt se joindre à nous.

Afin de rendre la transition à leur nouvel environnement aussi agréable que possible, nous avons planifié une merveilleuse semaine d'orientation et d'adaptation (du 29 août au 3 septembre) pour ces nouveaux arrivés qui représentent les régions et cultures différentes du monde. Si vous rencontrez des étudiants internationaux sur le campus durant cette période, souhaitez-leur la bienvenue et un bon séjour à l'Université Laurentienne.

Rendez-nous visite au bureau de la vie étudiante pour obtenir des renseignements sur les façons de devenir un étudiant international dans un autre pays.

Shane English
International Student Projects
Projets des étudiants internationaux



ORIENTATION SCHEDULE

Here's what we've got planned for you:

Wednesday, August 25th:	Parent Orientation Session
Sunday, September 5th:	Parent Orientation Session
Tuesday, September 7th:	Free shuttle service, President's Welcome Picnic, University Services Fair, Pre-registration Information Sessions
Wednesday, September 8th:	Information Booths
Thursday, September 9th:	Registration Day (We'll be there to help you out!), Information Booths
Friday, September 10th:	Campus-wide scavenger hunt, volunteer thank-you.

Watch for more detailed information in the summer mail-out. Keep the guide inside the mail-out, it will be important to have it with you throughout the week!

Pour de plus amples renseignements, attendez l'envoi postal cet été. Gardez surtout le guide d'étudiant qui s'y retrouve car il sera important de l'avoir avec vous pendant la semaine de bienvenue.

ORIENTATION SHUTTLE SERVICE

On Tuesday, September 7th, why not take the bus to our great activities? Hop on to a **Sudbury Transit** bus for **FREE**. Late in the summer, we will be sending you an information package in which you will find two free tickets.

That's enough to get you here for our great day and then back home!!!



The Native Students' Association

History

Established in 1994, the Native Students' Association has grown in both size and service through the dedication of council members, the Native community at Laurentian, and the S.G.A. The N.S.A. aspires to provide First Nations students with cultural and social events that meet the various needs of students, in both an academic and personal nature.

The Native Students' Association has gained the status of being an autonomous organization which allows for the needs of First Nations students to be better served. Students are eligible to be both an N.S.A. and S.G.A. member so students are able to access services from both associations.

Location

The N.S.A. is located in room L-227 of the R.D. Parker building, with a tentative move scheduled to room L-228. Our office is open to the public, and we encourage you to stop by for any, or no reason at all. There is also a smoking lounge available for students at the University of Sudbury, located in Room 003

Events

Throughout the year the N.S.A. hosts a variety of events targeting all the different age groups of our association members. There are feasts, pub nights, a children's Christmas party, a semi-formal, grad pow-wow, etc... We have many new ideas that will be implemented this year, and are always open to hear your suggestions.

The Council

S.G.A. Commissioner: **Michelle Nahdee**
S.G.A. Representative **Dale Mendowagan**
L.U.N.E.C.: Mainstream discipline: **Alison Cooper**
Native discipline: **Stan Wesley**
Social Convener: **Debbie Lemieux**
Health Co-ordinator: **Jennifer Taylor**
First Year Representative: elected in September

The Executive

President: **Dobi Frenette**
Vice-President: **Joanne Morassutti**
Secretary: **Michelle Peltier**



Native Orientation Week (N.O.W.)

Monday, Sept. 6th

10 - 10:30am

Welcoming Senate Chambers

10:30 - 11am

Dr. Spielmann, "What to Expect!" in Senate Chambers

11 - Noon

Roof Tour on top of R.D. Parker Building. Meet in Senate Chambers.

12 - 1pm

Lunch (location to be announced)

1:30 - 3pm

Scavenger Hunt. Meet in Native Students' Association Lounge (L-227)

Thursday, Sept. 9th

Registration

8pm - 2am

Karaoke at 1500 Pub and Cues

Friday, Sept. 10th

2:30 - 4pm

Baseball game and Subs. To be held at Baseball field by the Phys. Ed. Building.

Sunday, Sept. 12th

2 - 6pm

Welcome Feast. Jam session at Robertson Cottage.



A Note From The President...

Aanii!! Welcome to Laurentian to all incoming frosh, and welcome back to the Vets. The N.S.A. hopes that you will get involved in the events that we host throughout the year, and remember if you have any ideas to contact us and let the council know. The N.S.A. represents both Native and non-Native students on campus, and it is your needs that we are aiming to meet, so bring forth your innovative ideas and we'll do our best to implement them.

There is a strong native community here at Laurentian, which works hard to provide a cultural basis to the various social and academic events that are hosted throughout the year. Don't be afraid to get involved or ask questions. Everyone is friendly, and more than willing to take the time out to help. The N.S.A. is easily accessible, and you can ask to see any of our council members if you so desire. We have an exciting year ahead, and hope that you will get involved. Any questions or concerns can be addressed by calling (705) 675-1151 ext 3004.

Dobi Frenette, President
Native Students' Association



The Women's Centre

Location: L221, Student Centre

Phone: 675-1151, ext. 1089

The goal of the Laurentian University Women's Centre is to educate, sensitize, and create awareness pertaining to women's issues and to work toward a more egalitarian environment for students and staff. Through social events, open forums, protests and fundraisers, film presentations, workshops and seminars, the L.U. Women's Centre reaches out to all students and faculty to persevere in the education of harassment, discrimination, violence, and racism.

The Centre also provides resources and referrals for everyone and a safe environment for all women to seek solutions and informed choices. The Women's Centre also promotes healthy choices and positive lifestyles. Drop by the Centre anytime during regular business hours. The Centre is also interested in having you become one of their volunteers. Drop by, come and have a cup of coffee with us

Centre Des Femmes

Le rôle du Centre des Femmes de l'Université Laurentienne est de sensibiliser les gens aux actualités concernant la femme d'aujourd'hui, ainsi que d'établir un environnement égalitaire. Par l'entremise des conférences, des ateliers d'éducation, des événements sociaux, des colloques, des manifestations, des présentations de films, et des prélèvements de fond, le Centre des femmes de la Laurentienne touche tous les étudiants, les étudiantes, et le personnel afin d'éliminer le harcèlement, la discrimination, la violence, et le racisme.

Nous offrons des services de ressources et de référence pour tous et toutes et un endroit sûr pour aider les femmes qui sont à la recherche d'aide ou de renseignements. Nous offrons aussi des sessions d'information mixte afin d'aider les femmes et les hommes à bien choisir leurs styles de vie sains et positifs. Nous sommes toujours à la recherche de nouvelles bénévoles. Venez nous visiter et prendre une tasse de café.



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SGA PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

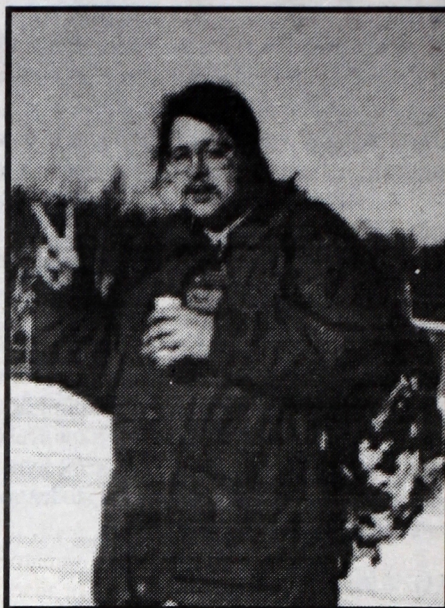
Welcome to the 1999/2000 year and congratulations on deciding to come to Laurentian.. The SGA Executive and staff have been extremely busy this summer figuring out just what it is we are going to do with regards to services and activities this year. Please take the time to read through our services that we are offering and if you have any questions or concerns now or throughout the year please do not hesitate to call or come into the SGA office. The Executive and staff will do their best to help you out whatever the concern or question may be. In the meantime, I wish you all the best with your academics and have fun. Best Wishes for 1999/2000,

Jamie Wylie
SGA President.

Contact the SGA
anytime at
(705) 673-6547

Mark Solomon V.P. Services

Hey Guys I hope that you are enjoying your summer and not working too hard. Here at the S.G.A. we made a decision a few years back to be a services oriented organization and as you can see by the list, we've done that. Drop by our office in the Student Centre were you can have faxing done, Purolator anything anywhere, have your photos developed in 24 hours, have student appeals dealt with and much, much more. This year you can also have your photocopying done; it is the cheapest on campus!! This year looks to be great, and we start it all up with a great Frosh Week. So hey, keep on the look out for some great concert announcements, events and services. Have a great summer and I'll see you all in September.



GETTING ACTIVE AT LAURENTIAN

The Students' General Association is proud to work with you in promoting issues that are important to you. The most important issue of late has been ever rising tuition fees. Since 1988, tuition has gone up well over 150 percent. This is not acceptable to us. We have in the past, and will continue with your support to organize students into a movement to win the best conditions possible for all of us.

Over the past few years, we have organized sit-ins, petition campaigns as well as many other events. As well, we undertake extensive lobbying of university administration and government. Of special note, last year we organized a one-day strike to protest a potential tuition hike. I am happy to note that it was one of the most successful mobilizations of students ever seen in Northern Ontario. Literally, hundreds of students joined us to picket and no less than thousands of other students showed solidarity and support by boycotting classes. In the end, tuition did rise, but not by as much as was earlier suggested.

During the coming year, we have many issues to face. The one thing that is certain is that we need to stand together and give a constant reminder to government and administration that this university belongs to us, the students. Part of our resistance to high tuition involves our membership in the Canadian Federation of Students. The CFS is one of the largest student organizations in the world, encompassing students from over 60 universities and colleges across Canada. Membership in the SGA means that you are automatically a member of the CFS.

In February, 2000, students from across the country will be joining together to protest rising tuition and the anti-student agenda of both the Provincial and Federal governments. This event will be the perfect opportunity for us here at Laurentian to make a statement together. If we take a stand as a group, we can win better conditions for all of us. For more information on activism at Laurentian, please feel free to drop by the SGA office, and don't forget, if we dare to struggle, we dare to win!

Todd Besak

VP Student Issues



The staff of the SGA would like to welcome you to Laurentian. Lorie Graham the Office Co-ordinator and Tannys Laughren the Business Manager are here to answer your questions. We may not be able to answer your question but we will try very hard to find someone who can! Please feel free to drop by the office, and let us show you why the SGA is your best choice for a student association.

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Tune us in at 96.7 FM. You've "Got to Have a Song" while eating "Reality Sandwiches" which is after a "Late Night Headache" and jumping "Off the Ramp" because you must "Get up and Dance" on a "Mostly Canadian Thursday". These are the names of just a few programs at CKLU.

Part of the university experience is getting involved. Laurentian University provides several options for students. Of these options, the radio station provides one of the most exciting volunteer experiences on campus. Volunteers are always needed at CKLU.

CKLU 96.7 FM is Laurentian University's Campus and Community radio station. The station, in brief, is an alternative to mainstream media, providing the community with a diverse range of cultural, musical and spoken word programming.

There are several areas in which a student can get involved at CKLU. There are a variety of on-air opportunities. From classical, to folk, to rock, to heavy metal — just to name a few — the music programming at CKLU has a little something for everyone. "CKLU has allowed me to become technically aware and move up in the ranks. People are really interested in volunteering and want to know more about the station in general," says Kristin Jensen, Director of Music Programming at the station.

There are also spoken word programs. Maria O'Connell, the spoken word junkie (meant with all due respect) was unavailable for comment. She could not come in because her Monday Morning Breath was too much. The morning magazine (Morning Breath), the news, comedy and other specialty topics are just a small

sampling of our spoken word content. The spoken word department loves interesting points of view.

As well, there are several "behind the scenes" volunteers required to help run the station. For example, the chance to organize and promote a big concert is great experience, not to mention rewarding and fun. Caelie Frampton, 'Fundraising Guru' says, "When I first came to CKLU I couldn't believe all the posters that were on the walls — then I found out there was music to go with them!"

If you wish to participate in an on-going community event come September, see our table during "Clubs' Day" or visit the station — right across from the main bus terminal on Laurentian University's beautiful campus! We can also be contacted at (705) 673-6538.

There's hardly ever a dull moment at CKLU. We are constantly on the go with fundraising, promoting, organizing events, preventing the university from "relocating" our portable, fighting squirrels in the music library, and so on. In fact, it's amazing that we manage to go on the air each day, but we do, with the consistent help of several hard-working and great volunteers. Without volunteers, there would be no CKLU.

So, if you're in the neighbourhood, swing by the Love Shack, AP-1. It's the only portable left in Lot-4 Parking because "the cheque's in the mail".

A Short History of CKLU:

- Laurentian Radio, formed in September of 1984 first operated a small closed circuit system from Room G7 in Single Students' Residence.
- Decided to go on cable FM [CAFM] through the local cable network to establish a more concrete product that could later gain the approval of the CRTC.
- In early 1986, the Student's General Association [SGA] proposed a referendum to increase association fees by \$4.00 per student in order to fund the station's progress. The referendum was a success for CFLR.
- That summer, the station was moved to Arts Portable 1 (AP-1), our current location. Then known as CFLR, the station went onto Cable FM in the late fall of that same year at 106.7 MHz.
- In November of 1990, the Ontario corporation known as the LAURENTIAN STUDENT AND COMMUNITY RADIO CORPORATION was formed.
- In June of 1993, CFLR was the first non-FM station in a smaller centre to host the National Campus/Community Radio Conference [NCRC].
- In February of 1996, after a couple of years of hard work, application was made to the CRTC for an FM license.
- The CRTC, in decision 96-619, approved our application to broadcast 1300 watts at 96.7 MHz in May 1996.
- During late September and early October the volunteers, Staff, and Directors voted to change the call letters from CFLR [which was already being used by a radio station in Quebec] to CKLU. Our signal is still being carried by Northern Cable at 106.7 MHz.

If you want to find out more, give us a call at 673-6538. We're happy to help you get into campus and community radio.

Harassment!!!

Laurentian University endeavours at all times to provide a working and learning environment that is free of discrimination and supportive of productivity, academic achievement and the dignity, self-esteem and fair treatment of all members of the University Community. The basis of interaction at the University is one of mutual respect, cooperation and understanding and the University will not tolerate any behaviour which is likely to undermine this. Harassment is a form of discrimination that violates human rights, dignity and integrity, and that can poison the work and learning environment. The Ontario Human Rights Code specifically prohibits discrimination on the basis of "race, ancestry, place of origin, colour, ethnic origin, citizenship, creed, sex, sexual orientation, age, record of offences, marital status, family status or handicap". (1991, c.53, s. 5.2).

Behaviour constituting harassment is considered by Laurentian University to be a serious offence affecting the University generally, and it is subject to a range of disciplinary measures up to and including dismissal or expulsion by the University.

Laurentian University has approved a Harassment Policy and Complaint Procedures. The aim of the policy is to discourage harassment and to resolve complaints.

The Laurentian University Harassment Education and Complaints Committee (LUHECC) is composed of faculty, staff and students from the Laurentian University Community and is chaired by the Harassment Officer

What are some examples of Harassment?

Harrassing behaviour includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Verbal abuse or threats
- Unwelcome remarks, jokes, innuendoes or taunts about a person's body, race, attire, age marital status, disability, etc.
- Displaying pornographic, or other offensive or derogatory pictures
- Unwelcome advances, invitations, requests (whether indirect or explicit) or intimidation
- Condescension or paternalism which undermines self-respect
- Unnecessary physical contact such as touching, patting, pinching,
- Invasion of personal space, making contact unavoidable
- Leering
- Repeated degrading remarks or physical contacts
- Threats of reprisal made by a person in a position of authority against a person who rejected a sexual advance

Anyone can be a victim of harassment: female/male, young/elderly, member of a visible minority, able-bodied/disabled, etc. It can happen to anyone — and does. IT CAN HAPPEN TO YOU. If it happens to you, it is not your fault and you are not alone.

Contact: Norma MacRae, Harassment Officer and Chair of LUHECC at 675-1151, ext 3422. Confidentiality is assured.

Laurentian University has a Harassment Office located on the 8th Floor of the R.D. Parker Building ("The Tower") in Room 826 (675-1151, ext. 3422). The Harassment Officer, Norma MacRae, will be pleased to talk with you.

Orientation Or Disorientation???

Norma MacRae
LU Harassment Officer

This is it!!! Orientation Week! Lots to do in one short week: Moving in, meeting people, registration, language testing—these are things you have to do. BUT there is often much going on during Orientation week which you NOT have to do. Know the difference!

You do not have to participate in any hazing-related activities which make you feel uncomfortable. These include:

- alcohol consumption
- "midnight aerobics"
- behaving or dressing in a manner that undermines your self-esteem or makes you feel uncomfortable (ex. T-shirts with offensive slogans/pictures)
- engaging in any activities which risk the security of your person

The most important guideline is to trust your instincts. If you feel uncomfortable about participating in any particular activity, DON'T!!! If you are feeling forced to do so, tell someone in a position of authority.

On Monday September 2, in the Fraser Auditorium, the Harassment Office will present a play called "Single and Sexy" which addresses harassment and other potential challenges in University life.

Have a great week!!

Pride@LU Mission Statement

To raise awareness among Laurentian's general population regarding gay, lesbian, bi-sexual, queer, transgendered and two-spirited issues. To provide students, faculty and staff with a safe environment to be themselves and meet with others who are facing similar issues, whether they be gay, or gay positive.

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

The Age Old Question

How many Cambrian students does it take to change a lightbulb?
- Only one, but he gets a masters degree for it.

How many Lakehead students does it take to change a lightbulb?
- None - Thunder Bay doesn't have electricity yet!

How many U of T students does it take to change a lightbulb?
- Two. One to change the lightbulb and one to crack under the pressure.

How many Queen's students does it take to change a lightbulb?
- One. He holds the bulb and the world revolves around him.

How many Waterloo students does it take to change a lightbulb?
- Five. One to design the nuclear powered one that will never burn out, one to figure out how to power the whole university with the nuked bulb, two to install it, and one to write the computer program that controls the wall switch.

How many Trent students does it take to change a lightbulb?
- Eleven. One to screw it in and ten to support its sexual orientation.

How many Western students does it take to change a lightbulb?
- Five. One to change the lightbulb and four to find the perfect J. Crew outfit to wear for the occasion.

How many McMaster students does it take to change a lightbulb?
- Two. One to change the bulb and one to say loudly how they did it as well as a Queen's student.

How many Carleton students does it take to change a lightbulb?
- Two. One to change the bulb and the other to complain that if they were at a better school the lights wouldn't burn out.

How many McGill students does it take to change a lightbulb?
- One, but she can't do it on a Friday night.

How many Brock students does it take to change a lightbulb?
- Seven. One to change the lightbulb and six to throw a party because they didn't screw it in upside down this time.

How many York students does it take to change a lightbulb?
- Only one with an instruction manual.

How many RMC students does it take to change a lightbulb?
- None. When night falls, they either fire flares to see or they put on their nightscopes.

How many UBC students does it take to change a lightbulb?
- Three. One to hold the ladder, one to turn the lightbulb and the other to interpret the Japanese text.
And last but not least.....

How many Laurentian students does it take to change a lightbulb?
- None, Sudbury looks better in the dark!

Blithering Idiot of the Week

Idiot In Question:

- Some woman who demands that the talking Austin Powers doll be taken off shelves because it caused her son to ask her what 'horny' means.

Obvious Problem With Idiot:

- That she sees nothing wrong with the constant references to sex, masturbation and horniness in television, the newspapers and basically every other source of information that the child could be exposed to.

Proposed Ironic Punishment:

- That her and her son be stuck in room and forced to listen to the song "Horny" by Mousse T, whose only lyrics are "I'm horny all night long" over and over, for 19 hours in a row.

Seeds of Conspiracy

(And How to Dig Them Up and Plant Them in the Neighbour's Yard)

by Nick Stewart
Entertainment Editor

Ever think that the world is out to get you? Ever think that there's somebody out there that's trying to do you in or experiment on you somehow? That's because...THERE IS! You might not be able to see them, or directly know that they're there...but they are. This journal is to help you realize the massive amounts of conspiracies all directed squarely at YOU. Yes, you. There's a world full of evil conspirators out there who'd love to get their grubby conspiratorial little hands on you...or maybe they already have, and you just don't know it. In order to keep yourself aware of these things, keep reading. Because as some guy you've never heard of once said, "Knowledge is the path to true freedom". Free yourself...and watch your back.

A Counter-Conspirator's Primer

1. If anybody ever tells you that you're "just being paranoid" about something, take down their names and add it to your "People Who Are Trying to Kill Me" list.

2. If you get the feeling that you're being watched, immediately rip off all your clothes and laugh maniacally, to fool those who are watching you

into thinking that you've got nothing to hide.

3. If you notice that the car driving behind you is following you, slam your car into a tree and fake your own death to throw them off the trail.

4. If being followed while on foot, dart into the nearest youth hostel or daycare center, and flail your arms around while screaming in terror, "Michael Jackson's coming! Michael Jackson's coming!". Sneak out the side while everybody's panicking.

5. If you detect even the faintest hint of cyanide in the food that you're eating, pour lighter fluid on it and set it on fire. This works best if in a busy room, such as a cafeteria or restaurant, so that the conspirators can see that you know what they're up to.

6. If you suspect that your apartment is bugged, scream at the top of your lungs. All the time. Eventually, the conspirators will either a) assume that something must be wrong with their detection equipment, because NOBODY in their right minds would scream for THAT long, or b) just sick of listening to you scream and try to find an alternate source of listening in on you. If your neighbours complain, put their names on the "People Who Are Helping The People Who

Are Trying to Kill Me" list.

7. If you realize that your phone is tapped, call up random numbers and say pointlessly cryptic things like "The princess is swimming naked in the moat" or "Purple monkey dish-washer" to the people who answer. This will put the conspirators on a false trail. To communicate your real messages, train carrier pigeons. If you can't find carrier pigeons, train carrier squirrels.

8. If you think that your safety may be in danger, never underestimate the power of small animals. They're usually ignored and as such may be an invaluable tool for your protection. Few conspirators can directly harm you if you're surrounded by your army of killer frogs, or your legion of death-lobsters.

9. If you come to the conclusion that one of your relatives is one of the People Who Are Trying to Kill You, invite him/her over to your place for supper. When they get there, knock them unconscious, take their keys and go over to their house. Plant a bomb and some bombing ingredients in their basement, then tip off the cops. Then, move to Egypt and become a professional camel wrestler. Until, of course, the next conspiracy comes along...

Conspiracies are Everywhere!!!

Check Lambda as often as it is safe, and see who is out to get you!

Nickstradamus: The Lazy Edition

by Nickstradamus
Psychic Advisor

These are what I figure to be my most accurate predictions of the year. This accomplishes two things: one, it allows me to share with you what I figure to be the best prophesying I've done this year, and two, allows me to sit back and not come up with any new predictions for this issue. Hey, even prophets get lazy once in a while.

1. I predict that the Three-Headed Monkey of Shahazabad will strike terror and fear into the hearts of the world with its never-ending speeches on the value of peat moss.

2. I predict that a formless blob known as Quag will emerge from my lower intestine and terrorize the countryside.

3. I predict that the Seventy-Eight Hamsters of the Apocalypse will cause widespread panic by getting piss-drunk and vomiting on as many bowties as they can find.

4. I predict that Lester, the One-Eyed Mule Boy will become Maybelline's new spokesfreak for Phlegm Phantasia mascara/spackle/rat poison.

5. I predict that the Purple Trapezoid of the Apocalypse will hover over the town of Dauphin, Manitoba, bombarding the inhabitants with sufficient radiation to cause them to spontaneously de-evolve into primordial chicken soup.

6. I predict that the Hormonally Imbalanced Lobster Men From Mars will land on Earth, liberally distribute anal probings, and will start their own off-Broadway theatre troupe.

7. I predict that cannibalism will be legalized in Colorado, where fast-food restaurants such as Jeffrey's, McCannibal's and Kentucky Fried Fibia will become all the rage.

8. I predict that a new holiday, Crapheadius, will be declared, whereupon people are expected to shave off all their hair, get full-body tattoos of dead squirrels and to smite each other at random with Spam cans.

9. I predict that the term for the leader of the United States will change from "President" to "Rockabilly Pimp Daddy".

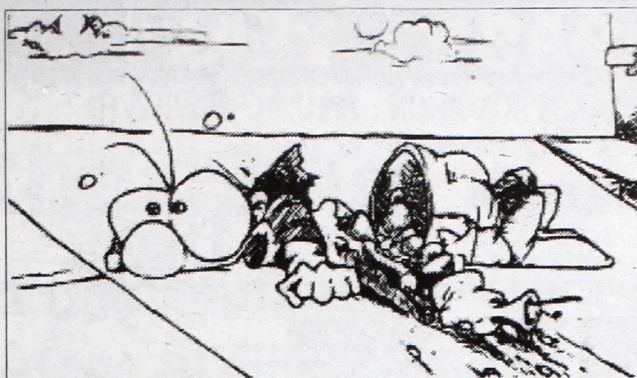
10. I predict that the Short Fat Naked Tibetan Man will make a daring escape from his prison cell in the base of my skull, and, emerging victorious from my Not-So-Great-Intestine, will rename himself JimJim the Dog-Faced Boy, and will rent out my chest cavity to Zimbabwean tourists.

11. I predict that Eddie Murphy will go insane and devour his own spleen after the horrendous box office failure of his recently starring movie, "Tupperware: The Musical".



Scraping Roadkill Off the Information Superhighway

by Nick Stewart
Entertainment Editor



Movies are like Christmas presents: you spend all sorts of time being hyped up about them, but they end up sucking half the time. Here's a list of summer movies that I feel are gonna live up to their hype, complete with their websites.

Star Wars: The Phantom Menace: www.starwars.com

Now this is site worthy of the Lucas name. Say what you will about the movie, the site rocks. Complete with audio clips, design photos, behind-the-scenes information, games, discussions, video clips and so much more, this site is the authoritative source for Phantom Menace material. An extremely cool addition to the site is the online Star Wars comic. With a new one from week to week, the online comic is taken directly from the Dark Horse comic book, then animated and mixed in with voices and sounds. For example, part one of the Phantom Menace comic, which is extremely faithful to the movie, is already on here, with the sounds and voices taken directly from the movie. I could say something dorky like "the Force is with this site", but I refuse to make any cornball Force jokes.

Mystery Men: www.mysterymen.com

Okay, I had a thing for superhero movies to begin with, but with a kick-ass cast like this one (Ben Stiller, Hank Azaria, Paul Reubens, Jeaneane Garofolo, Greg Kinnear, Geoffrey Rush, to name a few) and its world and plot based on the Dark Horse comic of would-be superheroes, Mystery Men promises to be more entertaining than the last two Batman movies combined. The website is one of the funkiest movie sites that I've seen in ages, whose visual effects have to be seen for themselves. While there, you can access behind-the-scenes information, a Mystery Men screensaver, audio clips, and even the great Smash Mouth video, All-Star, which is on the movie soundtrack. Very cool, and definitely worth the time it takes to load.

Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me: www.austinpowers.com

Mike Myers...is there anything he can't do? Well, he probably can't fly under his own power, but still. Anyways, Austin Powers is funny as hell and the site captures the feel of his world perfectly. Right off the bat, you can choose to browse the Austin Powers site from one of three different "perspectives": the Austin view, the Evil view and the Shag view. Each one has its own set of symbols, colors and sounds, and each one is worth visiting. They even each have their own screensaver which you can download for free (hint: the Evil one's the best). As for the actual site itself, there are tons of notes, quotes and interview clippings to last a good half-hour or so (or two or three of 'em, if yer a slow reader). And of course, how can I end this review without mentioning "Interactive Austin". Download it, play it, and interact away. It's mindless, it's repetitive, and yet it's incredibly funny...kinda like Austin himself.



Wild Wild West: www.wildwildwest.net

I've never been all that big on Westerns, but this movie's got three things going for it: a) Will Smith in a James Bond type role, b) Will Smith directed by the same guy who directed him in Men in Black, and c) Will Smith in his two-time winning opening weekend of July 4th (shared also by Independence Day and Men in Black). At any rate, the site could tell you most everything you could want to know about the movie...especially if you like reading. It's got tons of production notes, biographical notes on the stars, and even a message board about the movie. It's also got tons of pictures from the movie, storyboards and even the effects setup shots. And if that wasn't enough, you can also get backgrounds, screensavers, and even a bizarre little Will Smith/ Kevin Kline dressup game (go on...put Smith in that tutu...it's good for a laugh).



DownUnder

by Mat Thompson



Skewed News Briefs

by Nick Stewart
Entertainment Editor

Shocking Truth About Chicken and Popcorn Kings Revealed

After spending the past ten years researching the lives of food magnates for his book Greasy Food, Greasy Lives, author William Snorkleton has stumbled upon a discovery which he revealed at a recent press conference. According to Snorkleton, Colonel Sanders and Colonel Redenbacher are not two separate people, but in fact one and the same. "Doesn't it seem suspicious?", Snorkleton asked the crowd. "I mean, on each of their products, you have a picture of their head...just add a few pounds on ol' Reden there, take away that stupidass bowtie, and slap on a mustache, and voila! It's uncanny!" At that point, Snorkleton started frothing at the mouth and had to be sprayed with tranquilizer darts, but not before he managed to get off a few questions to the crowd, such as "Isn't it suspicious that two Colonels would get into the fast food industry?" and "What are the odds of TWO people that dorky actually surviving to the position of Colonel in the Army?"

Falwell Accuses Entertainment For Space Station Disaster

American preacher Jerry Falwell, reknown for crusading against various figures in the entertainment industry, such as porn king Larry Flynt and Po the Teletubby, has recently set his sights on another famous entertainer: the Polkaroo. The odd creature from the Polka Dot Door children's television show was blamed by Falwell because of recent translations and interpretations that he has pursued. According to Falwell, the Polkaroo was responsible for the recent mysterious destruction of the Mir space station: "If you translate the word 'Mir' into Bangladeshi, read it backwards, convert it into numbers and then reconstruct it using the numbers on your telephone, it roughly translates to 'The Polkaroo is Attempting to Destroy This Station, Please Help Us For the Love of God'." Falwell assured the media that once he deciphers exactly what the Polkaroo's one-word vocabulary of "Polkaroo" means, that he will let everybody know and how to protect your children from it.

Random Uses for a Pet Squirrel

by Nick Stewart
Entertainment Editor

Use #1910: Call him Spike.

Use #91771: Spray whipped cream on its face and let it loose in a crowded room while running around madly and screaming "RABID SQUIRREL! RABID SQUIRREL!". If nobody reacts, then moon the room.

Use #448567: Tie it to your head and walk around as if there were nothing wrong. If somebody comes up to you and asks you why you've got a squirrel attached to your head, reply "I don't have a squirrel attached to my head. The squirrel has me attached to its bottom", and then punch them in the stomach.

Use #94775: When it dies, have it stuffed. Mount it on your car as a hood ornament.

Use #84: Bring it with you to a high-class restaurant. When the waiter comes, place your order, and say that "Brucey will have the steak tartare". If the waiter says that they don't serve/allow squirrels in the restaurant, yell something about him being an "anti-squirrelite". If the waiter persists in refusing to serve the squirrel, sue the restaurant, and use adjectives like "anti-squirrilitic" in the accusation.



OPENING NIGHT!!!
WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 8TH
AT 8:00 PM
Don't Miss It!!!

If you would like to work as a waiter, waitress, bartender, D-Jay or security person, bring in your resume A.S.A.P. to the Pub or the SGA office.

(Please specify position you are applying for.)

Have a great Summer and See You in September!

YEAH BABY... YEAH!!!

REVIEWS BY MAT THOMPSON, MUSIC REVIEWER



SmashMouth - Astro Lounge

When I reviewed the last **SmashMouth** about a year and a half ago I was pretty impressed, but after a while the album started getting old pretty fast and I had to give it away. When I heard about the new album, I was a little more cautious when listening and reviewing it... but I have to say I am once again impressed!

Astro Lounge is another great high energy, mainstream ska/punk album that will surely be in everyone's CD players this summer. Just listening to the first single *All Star* you can tell **SmashMouth** has yet another hit album on their hands. Some of the songs are a little formulaic (my own word) but they still have great selling points.

Everyone seems to want high energy, upbeat music these days and *Astro Lounge* will not disappoint. **SmashMouth** is well on their way to being huge stars and this album will sure help the cause.

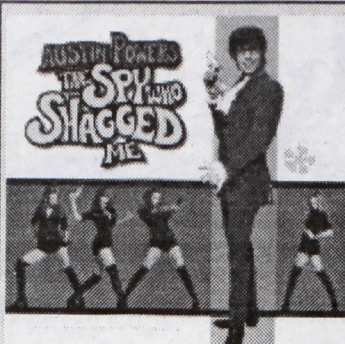


Blink 182 - Enema of the State

The band that can't get enough of Al Pacino in *Scarface* has finally returned with a new album of high energy punk/ska music. If you don't know where the name **Blink 182** comes from, the 182 is exactly how many times Al Pacino says the word 'fuck' in the movie *Scarface* and Blink was just a word that sounded cool in front of the 182.

Enema of the State is one of those albums where you have no idea what to expect next. Although you may think you know Blink's style, all throughout the album they change it up and mix styles. This doesn't always work, but **Blink 182** seem to know what they are going as a high energy, punked out version of **Green Day** with all the skill and speed of *Reel Big Fish* and *Buck-O-Nine*. All the songs are fun, high energy tracks that will never leave you bored.

If you are looking for something a little out of the ordinary with high energy and a great CD cover (oh yeah!!!) then **Blink 182's Enema of the State** is for you!

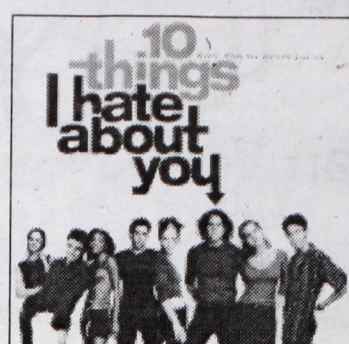


The Spy Who Shagged Me

Now this is a cool soundtrack. Instead of the usual soundtrack format of just taking as many popular songs as possible and cramming them onto a disc, **The Spy Who Shagged Me** recruited some of today's top stars and had them record 60's style songs and remakes of some 60's classics.

The line up on the album is tremendous. **The Who**, **REM**, **Big Blue Missile** (with Scott Weiland), **The Flaming Lips**, **The Lucy Nation** and even **Burt Bacharach & Elvis Costello** appear performing some of the best 60's songs around. The whole album is great, but the songs to listen for include **Madonna's** ship-trip *Beautiful Stranger*, **Dr. Evil** spoofing **Will Smith's** *Just the Two of Us*, **Green Day's** punked out *James Bond*-style theme and the amazing remake of *American Woman* by **Lenny Kravitz**.

There are a lot of soundtracks coming out this summer trying to bleed a few more bucks out of the movie-goer, but **The Spy Who Shagged Me** is a definite must have!

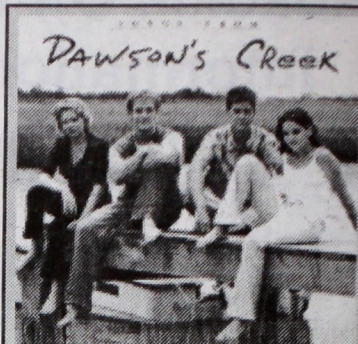


10 Things I Hate About You

I was surprised by this movie when I saw it, and I have to admit I was quite surprised by the soundtrack too. The movie was a teenage version of **Shakespeare's** *Taming of the Shrew* and really tried to hook the teen crowd. The soundtrack tries for the same angle as it incorporates upbeat Ska, pop and a few classics.

The album seems to be a second chance for **Letters to Cleo** who appear twice on the album as well as throughout the movie. Also included on the album are **Save Ferris**, **Semisonic**, **Sister Hazel**, **The Cardigans** and a few others. One surprise on the album is **George Clinton's** *Atomic Dog* which was the song **Snoop Dogg** sampled/stole for his song *Snoop Doggy Dogg*.

The whole album has a nice, upbeat feel to it which is quite a change from most soundtracks today. Even though it seems to be tailored for the teenage group, most university students will like **10 Things I Hate About You** too.

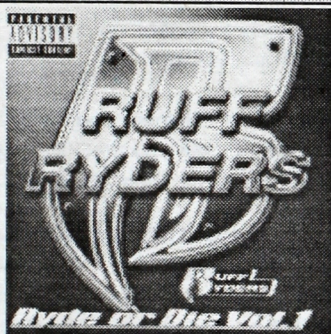


Dawson's Creek

I'll admit I am a *Dawson's Creek* fan, I have a mad crush on **Joey Potter** and I love the music on the show (excluding the opening theme), but there is something wrong with this album. Instead of showcasing the diverse music that has been played on *Dawson's Creek*, the album contains only the *Lillith Fair* style music, not a big seller for many fans of the show.

Songs from Dawson's Creek features artists like **Sophie B. Hawkins**, **Chantal Kreviazuk**, **Nikki Hassman**, **Jessica Simpson** and **Paula Cole**. Sure, there are a few songs by **Shawn Mullins**, **Wood** and a few others, but they still fall into the same music genre of modern adult contemporary.

The only song that is actually worth listening to is *Kiss Me by Sixpence None the Richer*. Although it has been overplayed because of the movie *She's The One*, it is still the only saving grace of the album. Other than that, *Songs from Dawson's Creek* is only worth buying if you have a lifetime pass to *Lillith Fair*.



Ruff Ryders - Ryde or Die

Now I'm not the biggest fan of gangsta rap, but *Ryde or Die* has to be one of the best collections or big named rap artists since the *Slam Soundtrack*. **Ruff Ryders** is actually a collaboration between some of the biggest names in the rap industry today.

Ryde or Die features new songs by some of the biggest hitters around. **LOX**, **DMX**, **Drag-On**, **Eve**, **Juvenile**, **Sheek** and even **Big Pun** have their own songs and combine for some of the best groupings around. One of the big tracks that seems to be popular is *Platinum Plus* featuring **Jermaine Dupri**, **Ma\$e** and **Cross**. It seems like these days you can't listen to a single rap album without hearing **Ma\$e** and his gang on it.

If you aren't a fan of gangsta rap then this album is not for you. **Ruff Ryders** is an album that was made for the hard-core fans who just can't get enough of all these big names. *Ryde or Die* in my opinion is one of the best rap albums in a long time!

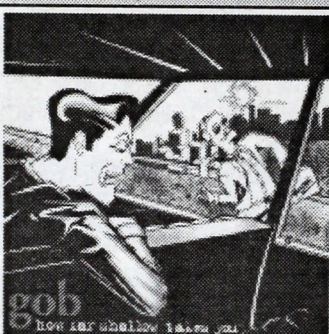


Insane Clown Posse - The Amazing Jeckel Brothers

"There will be six faces of the dark carnival. After all six have risen, the end will consume us all." This is the prophecy that the **Insane Clown Posse** have brought forth in the form of five albums. Each album is dedicated to one of the members of the carnival, and includes the history and story of each deity.

The Amazing Jeckel Brothers is the fifth of six *Dark Carnival* albums. The story of the **Jeckel Brothers** is that they are jugglers who juggle the sins of mortal men. The more sins you have, the harder it is for **Jake** and **Jack** to keep your soul from eternal damnation. Even if you don't like their music, the *Dark Carnival* stories are great.

ICP of course rip through your ears with their insane style of rap that includes carnival music, gangsta rap, and a lot of wrestling references. To like this album you have to be a hard-core fan of the **Insane Clown Posse**. They may not be the best singers, songwriters or wrestlers, but they are addictive!

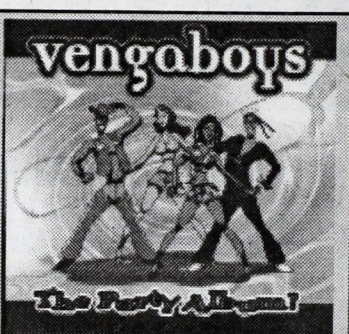


GOB - How Far Shallow Takes You

Now this is power-punk at its best. Although **The Headstones** are the Gods of punk, **GOB** has to be their hyperactive, bastard spawn. If you haven't heard of **GOB** by now you don't know what you are missing.

How Far Shallow Takes You is the latest release by Canadian based punk-heads **GOB**. **GOB** is basically **Green Day**... just faster, louder, more hyperactive and with no guitar solo ballads. This is just straight out, in your face punk. Since most readers of this review are either in, or are moving to **Sudbury**, I recommend listening to track 12, *License From a Cereal Box*. The song seems to be written about all the dumb-ass drivers that somehow have the license to drive a motor vehicle in this city.

How Far Shallow Takes You is new on the shelves, and if you are sick of the same old Top 40 Backstreet Boys style pop music, I recommend getting **GOB** and blasting it day and night!

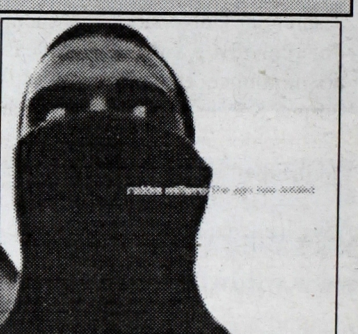


Vengaboys - The Party Album!

The title of the album says it all... *The Party Album!* A lot of albums come out year after year claiming to be the ultimate party album, but I would have to say the **Vengaboys** have done it. All summer I swear this is all you are going to hear from radios, bars and clubs.

The Party Album has it all... driving beats, great songs and a rhythm that makes you just want to party. The first five songs on the album are already becoming hugely popular, and there are still eleven more songs to go. The only problem I have with this album is the fact that the song *We're Going to Ibiza* sounds exactly like *We're going to Eat Pizza*. I can't listen to the song without craving double cheese and pepperoni.

I don't say too often in my music reviews that an album is a must have for a party, but **Vengaboys** is one of those albums that will fast become a classic. Sure, they may be a flash in the pan, but at least they are making good music along the way.



Robbie Williams - The Ego Has Landed

I'll warn you right now, **Robbie Williams** is not for everyone. He is strange, egotistic and has a strange sound that isn't too popular here in North America. Most people who listen to **Robbie Williams** either hate him, or love him. My friend in England has been raving about Robbie for a few years so I decided to check him out and I have to admit, I don't usually like **Brit-Pop**, but Robbie does it a little differently.

Robbie Williams' sound is a mix of **Brit-Pop**, a little punk and some lounge style thrown in. If you have heard his first single, *Millennium*, then you will understand this mix of styles. The music is not harsh, it is just a more adult version of Robbie's past work with *Take That*.

The Ego Has Landed is actually a mix of the best fourteen tracks from his two British released albums. Those albums are available now, but it is best to stick with *The Ego*... until you become a fan. Not everyone will like this album, but if my explanation interests you, check it out and I am sure you will like **Robbie Williams**.



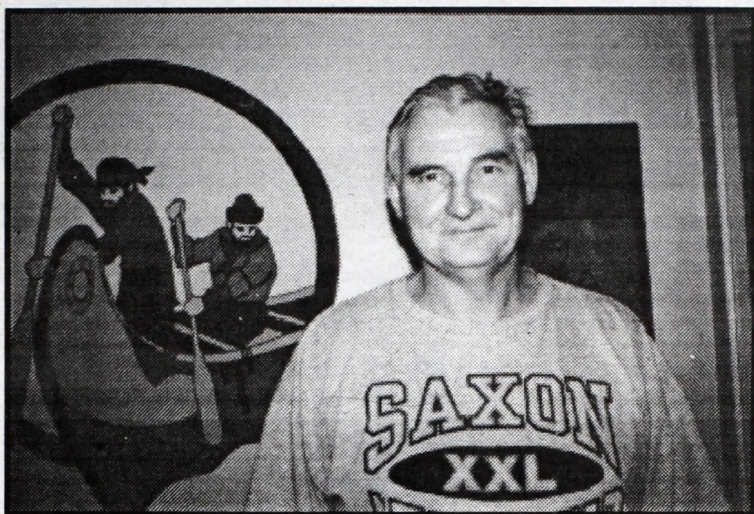
The Laurentian Voyageurs Run Wild at the 1999 FISU Games

Laurentian Vees Basketball Coach to Lead Team at FISU Games

by Mat Thompson
Staff Writer

Laurentian Voyageurs Men's Basketball coach, Peter Campbell, has been named head coach of the men's team at this summer's World University Games in Palma de Mallorca, Spain. The games will be held from July 3rd to July 13th, 1999. This is coach Campbell's fifth trip to the FISU Games, but his first as a head coach.

There will be a total of 120 countries attending the FISU summer games this year with Canada sending close to 300 athletes. The University Games are an International Sports Competition for university students that takes place every two years, with events being staged over a ten day period. In order to be eligible to compete in the games, an athlete must be currently attending a post-second-



Peter Campbell - Head Coach of Laurentian Men's Basketball heading to FISU Games

ary institution or having been out of school for only one year, and be between the ages of seventeen and twenty-eight.

In the upcoming 1999-2000 season, Peter Campbell will be be-

ginning his fourteenth year as head Coach for the Laurentian Voyageurs Men's Basketball team. Campbell has guided his team at Laurentian to five OUA East division titles and five appearances at the CIAU National championships. During this period he has been named OUA East Coach of the Year six times and was recognized as CIAU Coach of the Year in 1997. In addition to his coaching responsibilities, Campbell is Coordinator of Athletics and has teaching responsibilities in the School of Human Kinetics.

Peter Campbell's prior accomplishments from his illustrious career include at the FISU, 1985 and 1987 - Assistant Coach, Canadian Women's Basketball Team, 1995 - Assistant Coach Men's Team (bronze medal), 1997 - Assistant Coach Men's Team (silver medal).

Laurentian Voyageur Named to Team

Laurentian Voyageur Basketball team member Kevin Gordon has been named to the Canadian Men's team that will be competing at the FISU games in Palma de Mallorca, Spain from July 3 to the 13th.

Kevin has played for the Laurentian Voyageurs under head coach Peter Campbell, who will also be his coach for the FISU Games (see article on this page). Gordon had an outstanding 1998 - 1999 season collecting 10.8 points and 3 rebounds per game in the regular season. Gordon was also honored as an OUA Basketball All-Star this past year.

New Laurentian Voyageur Soccer Coach Appointed

by Mat Thompson
Staff Writer

On Friday, June 18, 1999 the Laurentian University Department of Interuniversity Athletics is pleased to announce the appointment of former Soccer Voyageur, Mr. Carlo Castrechino as the new head coach of the men's varsity soccer team.

Carlo has been an assistant coach under Greg Zorbas for the past two seasons, as well as in 1992 when the Voyageurs captured the OUAA East title. As a player Carlo was also a part of two OUAA Championship teams, which he led by dedication and commitment to the team. His appointment to head coach follows a

tradition set by former coach Greg Zorbas who also played for, and won titles with the Soccer Vees before becoming their head coach.

"I'm very excited to have Carlo continue our soccer tradition. I'm very confident that Carlo will do an excellent job. He is an excellent coach, reads the game very well and is highly respected by the players and alumni. He is truly a Voyageur!!" stated Greg Zorbas.

Since graduating from Laurentian University with a Bachelor of Arts, Social Science Degree, Carlo has successfully completed his level

three theory and level two technical coaching certifications and has coached numerous men's and children's teams throughout the Sudbury area. Currently Carlo is employed as the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines.

Coach Zorbas, upon his retirement last year, left some pretty big shoes to fill for the next head coach of the Soccer Vees, but with his record and dedication to the team and the sport, Laurentian is very confident that Carlo will continue the successful tradition that is our Soccer Vees.



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